

Application No. 10/800,864

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A navigation device having navigation means for making guidance to a set destination, the navigation device including <u>an</u> information service <u>device</u> means for supplying a user with information, wherein the information service <u>device</u> means comprising:

a storage part that stores user service information including fixed information which is updated at intervals of a predetermined period and update information which is updated at intervals of a period shorter than the predetermined period;

<u>an</u> operation <u>device</u> <u>means</u> that provides an instruction of displaying the user service information;

a determination device means that determines, in response to the instruction provided by the operation means device, on each of the fixed information and the update information whether or not the user service information stored in the storage part is the newest;

<u>a</u> communications <u>device</u> <u>means</u> that acquires, from outside, newest information corresponding to at least one of the fixed information and the update information which are determined to be not the newest by the determination <u>meansdevice</u>;

an update <u>device</u> means-that updates the user service information in the storage part by use of at least one of the fixed information and the update information which are acquired by the communication-meansdevice; and

<u>a</u> display means that displays the user service information in the storage part updated by the update-meansdevice.

2. (Currently amended) The navigation device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the information service <u>device means</u>—further comprises <u>a</u> location setting <u>device means</u>—that transmits position information of a location which is displayed on the display <u>device means</u>—to the navigation <u>device means</u>—in response to an instruction of setting a location that is provided by the operation—means <u>device</u>, and the navigation <u>device means</u>—sets a location on the basis of the position information transmitted by the location setting <u>device means</u>—and makes a guidance to the set location.

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3. (Currently amended) The navigation device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the information service <u>device means</u>-includes a separable program capable of being separated from a navigation program of a computer program composing the navigation <u>device means</u> and the separable program is updated independently of the navigation program.

4. (Original) The navigation device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the update information is composed of at least any one of ski area information including snow cover, weather and sliding conditions, blooming information, and autumn colors information including kinds of trees, degree of autumn colors and weather.

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) An information service system comprising a navigation device having navigation means for making guidance to a set destination, and an information supply server, which are connected through a network, wherein

the navigation device includes <u>an information service device means</u>-for supplying a user with information and the information service device means-has:

a first storage part that stores user service information including fixed information which is updated at intervals of a predetermined period and update information which is updated at intervals of a period shorter than the predetermined period;

<u>an</u> operation <u>device</u> means that provides an instruction of displaying the user service information;

<u>a</u> determination <u>device</u> means-that determines, in response to the instruction provided by the operation means<u>device</u>, on each of the fixed information and the update information whether or not the user service information stored in the first storage part is the newest;

<u>a</u> communication <u>device</u> <u>means</u> that acquires, from a second storage part of an information supply server, the newest information corresponding to at least one of the fixed information and the update information which are determined to be not the newest by the determination <u>meansdevice</u>;

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update means that updates the user service information in the first storage part by use of at least one of the fixed information and the update information which are acquired by the communication means device; and

<u>a</u> display means-that displays the user service information updated by the update <u>device</u> means-and stored in the first storage part,

and wherein

the information supply server has:

a second storage part that stores user service information including fixed information which is updated at intervals of a predetermined period and update information which is updated at intervals of a period shorter than the predetermined period; and

<u>a</u> communication <u>device</u> means that transmits, in response to a request from the navigation device, at least one of the fixed information and the update information which are stored in the second storage part.

- 7. (Currently amended) The information service system as claimed in claim 6, wherein the information service <u>device means</u> further comprises <u>a</u> location setting <u>devicemeans</u> that transmits position information of a location displayed on the display <u>devicemeans</u> to the navigation <u>devicemeans</u> in response to an instruction of setting a location that is provided by the operation <u>meansdevice</u>, wherein the navigation <u>devicemeans</u> sets a location on the basis of the position information transmitted by the location setting <u>devicemeans</u> and makes a guidance to the set location.
- 8. (Currently amended) The information service system as claimed in claim 6, wherein the information service <u>devicemeans</u> includes a separable program capable of being separated from a navigation program of a computer program composing the navigation <u>devicemeans</u> and the separable program is updated independently of the navigation program.